# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS
# LOK SABHA

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TELEPHONE FACILITY IN RURAL AREAS OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of villages in Jammu and Kashmir which are having telephone facilities, district-wise;

(b) the number of villages where telephone facilities are yet to be provided in the said state, district-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to provide telephone facilities to such villages?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS ( SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): 3,905 out of 6,764 villages in Jammu & Kashmir are having telephone facility and 2,859 villages are without telephone facility. District-wise details are given in the annexure.

(c) All the remaining villages in the State of Jammu and Kashmir are proposed to be provided with telecom facility by March,2002.